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SUBJECT: US-YUGOSLAV CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

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1. MARJANOVIC, SECRETARY IN CHARGE OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, FEDERAL ECONOMIC CHAMBER, TELLS US THAZGING. MIODRAG CEPERKOVIC, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF JUGOMETAL IRON AND STEEL COMBINE (SMEDEREVO) IS LIKELY TO BE NAMED PRESIDENT OF NEW YUGOSLAV CHAMBER FOR PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITH U.S. TOP EXECUTIVES OF CROATIAN AND SLOVENIAN ENTERPRISES ARE CANDIDATES FOR TWO VICE PRESIDENTIAL SLOTS ON 29-MEMBER EXECUTIVE BOARD.

2. FEDERAL CHAHDER IS NOW READY TO CONVENE FIRST GENERAL MEETING OF NEW ORGANIZATION, BUT IS DELAYING SETTING OF DATE PENDING NEWS WHETHER SECRETARY DENT WILL FIND IT POSSIBLE TO ACCEPT GOY INVITATION TO VISIT YUGOSLAVIA. CHAMBER WOULD LIKE SECRETARY DENT TO ATTEND AS GUEST.

3. COMMENT: CEPERKOVIC IS GOOD CHOICE TO HEAD US-YUGOSLAV CHAMBER. HE IS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF YUGOSLAVIA'S LARGEST FIRM, WITH EXPORT-IMPORT RESPONSIBILITY NOT ONLY FOR OWN IRON AND STEEL COMBINE BUT ALSO BOR INTEGRATED COPPER ENTERPRISE, TREPICA  
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MINING COMPANY, AND OTHER YUGOSLAV FIRMS, JUGOMETAL HAS

REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN NEW YORK. CEPERKOVIC HAS BEEN  
MEMBER OF FEDERAL PARLIAMENT, AND IS NOW MEMBER OF SERBIAN  
ASSEMBLY. HE IMPRESSES US AS ABLE, ENERGETIC AND IMAGINATIVE,  
WITH EXCELLENT CONNECTIONS THROUGHOUT BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND  
GOVERNMENT. HIS KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH IS VERY GOOD.  
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